

We claim:

Claim 1 (previously presented) A gripping bandage adapted to be disposed over a finger to protect the finger when using a sports or hand tool implement, the bandage comprising:
a first self-adhering strip having a first predetermined length;
a double sided glue tape strip or a coat of adhesive material applied to a portion of surface of the first self-adhering strip;
a second impact cushioning strip with non-slip surface, which comprises a flexible, non-self-adhering material, overlying a portion of, permanently and sealingly bonded to, the first self-adhering strip;
the second cushioning strip providing protection from abrasion and pressure when the bandage is applied to a finger.

Claim 2 (previously presented) The gripping bandage of claim 1 wherein the first self-adhering strip is composed of elastic material.

Claim 3 (previously presented) The gripping bandage of claim 1 wherein the second cushioning strip has a length shorter than the first predetermined length of the first strip.

Claim 4 (previously presented) The gripping bandage of claim 1 wherein the first strip and the second cushioning strip are of substantially equal width.

Claim 5 (previously presented) The gripping bandage of claim 1 wherein the first self-adhering strip comprises a non-woven polymer fiber base material.

Claim 6 (previously presented) The gripping bandage of claim 1 wherein the first strip maintains its self-adhering capability when wet.

Claim 7 (previously presented) The gripping bandage of claim 1 wherein the first self-adhering strip is elastic in a longitudinal direction.

Claim 8 (previously presented) The gripping bandage of claim 1 wherein the first self-adhering strip is elastic in a latitudinal direction.

Claim 9 (cancelled)

Claim 10 (cancelled)

Claim 11 (previously presented) The gripping bandage of claim 1 [[10]] wherein the second cushioning strip comprises a leather base material, natural or artificial.

Claim 12 (cancelled)

Claim 13 (cancelled)

Claim 14 (cancelled)

Claim 15 (cancelled)

Claim 16 (cancelled)

Claim 17 (cancelled)

Claim 18 (cancelled)

Claim 19 (previously presented) A gripping bandage adapted to be disposed over a finger portion of a glove to protect the finger inside the glove when the glove is worn when using a sports or hand tool implement, the bandage comprising:

a first self-adhering strip having a first predetermined length;

a double sided glue tape strip or a coat of adhesive material applied to a portion of surface of the first self-adhering strip;

a second impact cushioning strip with non-slip surface, which comprises a flexible, non-self-adhering material, overlying a portion of, permanently and sealingly bonded to, the first self-adhering strip;

the second cushioning strip providing protection from abrasion and pressure when the bandage is disposed over a finger portion of the glove and the glove is worn when using a sports or hand tool implement.

Claim 20 (cancelled)

Claim 21 (cancelled)

Claim 22 (cancelled)

Claim 23 (cancelled)